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Fellow Montanans,

I am pleased to recognize September 11, 2009 as a Day of Service and Remembrance.

Since the terrorist attacks of 2001, September 11 has been marked with commemorative events and observances across Montana, across America and indeed around the world. Many of these observances have included a demonstration of community service, good deeds and other charitable acts.

This year the United States Congress authorized the federal recognition of the National Day of Service and Remembrance in a bill signed into law by President Obama in April. I ask Montanans to acknowledge this effort and to seek out volunteer opportunities in their own communities that demonstrate our continued commitment to service.

The Governor's Office of Community Service created a new website <http://serve.mt.gov/> to make it easier to find opportunities that can improve the lives of our neighbors. I encourage all citizens to log on and pledge your time and talents in the year ahead. Please see: www.regonline.com/MTservicepledge

I am grateful for Montana's long tradition of volunteering and I commend all of you who serve your community. Montana is a better place because of your work and dedication.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "B. Schweitzer", with a stylized flourish at the end.

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor